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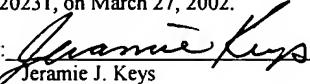


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Applicant: Jiang Ding et al. Examiner: TC 3700
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Serial No.: 10/008,397 Group Art Unit: 3736
Filed: December 6, 2001 Docket No.: 13569.0009US01
Title: Identifying Heart Failure Patients Suitable For Resynchronization Therapy
Using QRS Complex Width from an Intracardiac Electrogram

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b))

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing date of a first Office Action on-the-merits. Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d), a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is not provided because it was previously cited by or submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in parent applications, U.S. Serial No. 09/822,638 filed on March 30, 2001 and U.S. Serial No. 09/822,790 filed on March 30, 2001.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked

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